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For : METHOD FOR GENERATING PLANT DIVERSITY BY  
INCORPORATION OF MICROSATELLITE SEQUENCES INTO  
THE PLANT GENOME

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Sir/Madam:

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) UNDER 37 CFR § 1.114  
AND AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO MARCH 20, 2008 FINAL OFFICE ACTION  
AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

This Communication is being filed to submit a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and the required submission under 37 CFR § 1.114 in connection with the above-identified application. A copy of the Request for Continued Examination Transmittal is attached herein as Exhibit A. The fee for filing a Request for Continued Examination is FOUR HUNDRED AND FIVE DOLLARS (\$405.00)

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for a small entity. Applicants hereby authorize the charge of FOUR HUNDRED AND FIVE DOLLARS (\$405.00) to Deposit Account No. 50-1891.

A Final Office Action was issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office on March 20, 2008. A shortened statutory period for reply is set to expire 3 months from the mailing date of the Final Office Action, i.e. on June 20, 2008. Applicants hereby petition for a one-month extension of time, and authorize the Commissioner to charge the one-month extension fee of SIXTY DOLLARS (\$60.00) for a small entity to Deposit Account No. 50-1891. Accordingly, a response is due on July 20, 2008. However, because July 20, 2008 is a Sunday, a response is now due the following Monday which is not a holiday, i.e., on July 21, 2008. Accordingly, this Request for Continued Examination and required submission are being timely filed.

#### Claim Amendment Fee Calculation

	Claims remaining after amendment		Highest No. Previously Paid	Present Extra	Rate (SMALL Entity)	Additional Fee
Total	20	Minus	24	0	X \$25.00	\$0.00
Ind.	2	Minus	3	0	X \$100.00	\$0.00

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.

Conclusion begins on page 15 of this paper.